

Jan. 24 deadline approaching to register for 2018 Delaware Wetlands Conference



The cover for the 2018 Delaware Wetlands Conference, by artist Teri Edgeworth, who won the 2017 conference art contest.

DOVER – Registration closes Wednesday, Jan. 24 for the 2018 Delaware Wetlands Conference, so those who have not yet registered are encouraged to do so now. Organized by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship, the conference will be held Wednesday, Jan. 31 and Thursday, Feb. 1 at the Chase Center on the Riverfront in Wilmington. Online registration and information about the event, including sponsorships, can be found at <http://de.gov/dewetlandsconference>.

DNREC's Wetland Monitoring and Assessment Program and the Delaware Coastal Training Program have planned a two-day event that showcases the importance of wetlands. Each day includes invited speakers, poster sessions, networking time, lunches and a total of 62 presentations that cover wetland restoration, climate change, mapping, education and outreach, planning and conservation and plants and animals.

More than 400 wetland experts and enthusiasts from the Mid-Atlantic area are expected to gather at the biennial conference to share the latest innovations in wetland research, outreach and conservation programs. The conference brings together scientists, planners, county and federal

representatives, community leaders, educators and natural resource managers to discuss current research on tidal and non-tidal wetlands, the value of the region's wetlands and the impact their management has on the community.

Featured speakers include Dr. Lenore Tedesco from The Wetlands Institute, who will address resiliency-driven coastal wetland restorations, and special guests Governor John Carney and DNREC Secretary Shawn M. Garvin.

For more information on the 2018 Delaware Wetlands Conference, including the agenda, please visit [Delaware Wetlands Conference](#), or contact Brittany Haywood at Brittany.Haywood@delaware.gov, or 302-739-9939.

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